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### ***Funds will create jobs and save taxpayer money***

Washington, DC - Congressman John Adler announced that Toms River will receive nearly one million dollars from the economic recovery package for an energy efficiency project. The funding will allow Toms River officials to update the Ocean County Prosecutor's Building with solar panels.

"New Jersey towns and taxpayers have been feeling the squeeze in this tight economy, and this funding will provide a much needed break," Congressman Adler said. "This project will spur job creation, help conserve energy, and save taxpayers money. Ocean County deserves its fair share of federal funding."

Freeholder Joe Vacari said, "I would like to thank Congressman Adler for supporting our energy master plan with the \$902,500 award. The money will be used toward renewable energy sources and will prove beneficial to the environment. The annual savings in electrical costs will be over \$100,000."

The money is being distributed through the Energy Efficiency Block Grants program, which is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The grants will be used to support energy-saving initiatives and improve energy efficiency in transportation, buildings, and other sectors. The funding will be distributed for a variety of projects including creating financial incentive programs for energy efficiency improvements, investing in transportation programs that conserve energy, and supporting projects to reduce and capture methane and other greenhouse gas emissions from landfills.

Earlier this year, Congressman Adler announced more than \$6 million in federal funding for energy efficiency and conservation projects in the 3rd Congressional District.